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On: NOVEMBER 1 CATTLE ON FEED  
DOWN 10 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.71 million head on November 1, down 10 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was up 5 percent from the October 1 level. Producers placed 630,000 head in commercial feedlots during October, down 10 percent from a year ago but up 24 percent from last month.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 495,000 head during October, down 7 percent from last year but up 1 percent from last month.

On October 1, there were 2.3 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 85 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 11 percent from last year and up 4 percent from the October total.

October placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 523,000 head, up 18 percent from the September total. Marketings were up 2 percent from last month to 420,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 11.0 million head on November 1, 2008. This inventory was 7 percent below November 1, 2007.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.44 million head, 11 percent below October 2007. October placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 700,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 615,000\_ head; 700-799 pounds totaled 543,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 580,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.81 million head, 3 percent below 2007.

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**Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots**

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed October 1		Placed on feed during October		Marketed during October		Other disappearance during October		On feed November 1	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	350	360	39	31	27	28	2	1	360	362
California	540	505	67	54	60	57	2	2	545	500
Colorado	940	870	260	245	165	150	5	5	1,030	960
Idaho	210	195	69	55	43	39	1	1	235	210
Iowa	510	475	120	104	79	93	1	1	550	485
Kansas	2,310	2,160	530	450	410	360	10	20	2,420	2,230
Nebraska	2,140	2,110	620	590	350	375	10	15	2,400	2,310
New Mexico	133	173	31	17	19	17	2	1	143	172
Oklahoma	325	315	74	75	63	68	1	2	335	320
South Dakota	180	175	71	70	45	43	1	2	205	200
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>2,840</b>	<b>2,590</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>2,710</b>
Washington	154	157	42	38	29	31	1	1	166	163
Other States	335	330	102	79	56	58	1	1	380	350
United States	10,967	10,415	2,725	2,438	1,876	1,814	47	67	11,769	10,972

**Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots**

State	During October									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Colorado	65	50	65	70	55	45	75	80	260	245
Kansas	175	100	135	120	125	125	95	105	530	450
Nebraska	175	160	175	160	110	100	160	170	620	590
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>630</b>
Other States	240	195	140	105	85	83	150	140	615	523
United States	865	700	745	615	555	543	560	580	2,725	2,438

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States, November 1, 2006-2008**

Item	Number			2008 as Percent of	
	2006	2007	2008	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed October 1 <sup>1/</sup>	11,385	10,967	10,415	91	95
Placed on feed during October	2,430	2,725	2,438	100	89
Fed cattle marketed during October	1,765	1,876	1,814	103	97
Other disappearance during October <sup>2/</sup>	81	47	67	83	143
On feed November 1 <sup>1/</sup>	11,969	11,769	10,972	92	93

<sup>1/</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. <sup>2/</sup> Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

**Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots**

Cattle and calves	District 1-N	District 1-S	District 2-N	District 7	District 8-N	District 10-N	Other districts	State total
	<i>1,000 head</i>							
On feed October 1, 2008 <sup>1/</sup>	2,205	163	61	15	38	58	50	2,590
Placed on feed during October	523	44	16	5	8	18	16	630
Marketed during October	420	35	9	3	7	9	12	495
Other disappearance during October <sup>2/</sup>	13	1	0	0	0	0	1	15
On feed November 1, 2008 <sup>1/</sup>	2,295	171	68	17	39	67	53	2,710

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